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APPLICANTS: Duff et al.  
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**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Response to September 9, 2004 Office Action (9 pgs);
2. Declaration of Dr. Francesco S. Di Giovine Under CFR 1.132 (4 pgs);
3. Appendix A to Declaration of Dr. Francesco S. Di Giovine (95 pgs);
4. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg);
5. Check No. 20051 in the amount of \$225.00 for extension fee; and,
6. Return postcard.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 24299-502. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 617/542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

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